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Dear [redacted]

[redacted] Thank you for your letter of 3rd February informing me of projected trip. We shall, I need not say, be delighted to see him and I am sure that his visit will be most opportune.


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In my last letter to you I foreshadowed cuts in our budget for the current year. The position is now considerably clearer and I am able to let you know what the implications will be. In the first place, the question of the financing of the Stockholm operation on a permanent basis is still under discussion and we have undertaken to continue the operation on its present footing for a further three months, i.e. until the end of June, pending the outcome of this discussion. We are, however, forced to make some immediate economies in our Service, and in order to do this we will cease to publish Part VI of our Summary of World Broadcasts with effect from 10th March. This, I am afraid, is absolutely essential and I hope that it will not inconvenience you too much. We were faced with the alternative of either reducing our coverage or making a cut in our publications, and we felt that it was most important to do all that we could to preserve the integrity of our coverage and I am sure you will agree with this. Part VI, as you know, covers Latin America, Scandinavia and Western Europe, and we will continue our coverage and transcription of the material from these countries, which will as hitherto be available to your Bureau here.

There is one small reduction in coverage which we propose to make and that is in respect of our monitoring of Commonwealth countries, but this I think will not have any effect on your requirements.

I am awaiting with interest your comments on the news agency position.

Yours sincerely,


J.T. Campbell